

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Regarding Raised Bill No. 6700:

The outrageous licensing fees proposed by this bill would lead an objective observer to wonder if the state truly wants its hemp farmers involved with the broader cannabis market at all. This has all the trappings of lip service, dangling a carrot that will remain just out of reach for Connecticut's hemp farmers. How many takers does the state realistically expect under the proposed fee structure?

A comparison of fee structures with other states is in order, particularly New York. Otherwise, we should just openly admit that hemp farmers will continue to be functionally excluded from the state's cannabis market.

Respectfully,

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